**Meetings of Executive Councils of Central Universities**

362. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of meetings of Executive Councils of Central Universities held during the last two years;

(b) what is the number of meetings of the Councils which should have been held according to the statutes or rules of the Universities; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that meetings of the Executive Councils of these Universities should be held according to University statutes or rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected from the Universities and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Vacancies in Central Schools**

363. SHRI T R. BALU:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI K. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of candidates applied for each category of vacancies in Central Schools in each zone last year;

(b) what is the number out of them who were called in each category in each zone last year;

(c) what is the number among them, who had teaching experience in each category in each zone;

(d) what is the number of the selected candidates who had previous teaching experience; zone/region-wise figures;

(e) whether any Member of Parliament has drawn the attention of Government about questionable method of short listing candidates for interview; if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(f) whether Government propose to introduce selection recruitment test to eliminate candidates and make selection better in the coming years; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) A statement relating to the applications received in response to the advertisement for PRT/TGT/PGT posts is annexed (*See* below).

(b) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(e) and (f) A letter was received from Shri K. Gopalan, Member of Parliament regarding the procedure for shortlisting of candidates being called for interview and suggesting a written test for the purpose. The matter is under consideration.